THE MINISTER OF STATE OF THE MINISTRY OF TEXTILES (SHRI KHURSHID ALAM KHAN): (a) No, Sir.

(b) Does not arise.

Apparel Export Promotion Council

2198. SHRI BIR BHADRA PRATAP SINGH: Will the Minister of TEXTILES be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that four senior officers are nominated by Government to the Executive Committee of the Apparel Export Promotion Council, New Delhi, and this Council enjoys Government patronage and powers under the Import-Export Policy, levies fines and penalties, grants garment export quotas, etc.;

(b) whether Government are aware that the Company Law Board has revoked Section 25 and that the Council has filed a Civil Writ Petition in the Delhi High Court against Government; and

(c) what action the four Government officers now propose to take with regard to the Civil Writ?

THE MINISTER OF STATE OF THE MINISTRY OF TEXTILES (SHRI KHURSHID ALAM KHAN): (a) and (b) Yes, Sir.

(c) No action is called for at this stage as the Apparel Export Promotion Council has obtained stay order from Delhi High Court against the order of the Company Law Board.

India's Exports

2199. DR. MOHD. HASHIM KIDWAI: Will the Minister of COMMERCE be pleased to state:

(a) what was the share percentage of India in world exports from January 1985 to January 1986 and what are the comparative figures for the years 1983 and 1984; and

(b) what measures government have taken to increase the percentage?

THE MINISTER OF COMMERCE AND FOOD AND CIVIL SUPPLIES (SHRI P. SHIV SHANKER): (a) The share percentage of India in world export from January 1985 to January 1986 is not available. However, according to the latest available Monthly Bulletin of statistics, UN (Dec. 1985), India's share in world exports during 1983 and 1984 works out to 0.48 per cent and 0.45 per cent respectively.

(b) Increasing our exports, diversifying our productive base, modernising our productive apparatus are some of the steps taken by the Government. Modification and periodic revision of our industrial and fiscal policies are also the additional steps taken from time to time.

News-item captioned "Purchase of Flats by FIEO-Punj may be asked to Explain"

2200. SHRI GULAM MOHI-UD-DIN SHAWL: Will the Minister of COMMERCE be pleased to state:

(a) whether Government's attention has been drawn to the news-item captioned "Purchase of flats by FIEO-Punj may be asked to explain" which appeared in the 'Economic Times' of 23rd February, 1986;

(b) if so, what is Government's reaction thereto; and

(c) what is the role of Government officers nominated or coopted to the Executive Committee of the Federation of Indian Export Organisations?